

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:**

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

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1. (currently amended) A container (1) with a substantially ~~slightly~~ cylindrical wall (2) and a petaloid-shaped ~~petaloid-type~~ base (6,7) which extends from the substantially cylindrical wall ~~such wall~~, said base comprising a wall that is in general ~~in general~~ shaped substantially convexly towards an the outside of the container,

wherein ~~where~~ at least three members (6) originate from the substantially cylindrical wall ~~and which~~ are formed by outgrowths that are regularly distributed and separated in pairs by a portion of the convex base wall (7),

DI wherein:

the base wall (7) is hemispherical, except for a peripheral marginal linking area (8) with the cylindrical wall,

said peripheral marginal linking area (8) has a curve (R1; R2) with an inflection (9) so that the base wall and the peripheral marginal linking area as well as the cylindrical wall and the peripheral marginal linking area are linked in an almost tangential manner, and

at the ~~the~~ top end of each member is connected with the cylindrical wall (2),

wherein said inflection (9) is a change in curvature of said curve (R1; R2) from a concave curve to a convex curve.

2. (previously presented) A container according to Claim 1, wherein the members (6) are linked with the hemispherical wall (7), in the direction of a central pole (10) of the hemispherical wall (7), in a roughly tangential manner.

3. (previously presented) A container according to Claim 1, wherein the members (6) are linked with the hemispherical wall (7), in the direction of a central pole (10) of the hemispherical wall (7), in immediate proximity of the hemispherical wall (7).

4. (currently amended) A container (1) with a substantially slightly cylindrical wall (2) and a petaloid-shaped ~~petaloid-type~~ base (6,7) which extends from the substantially cylindrical wall ~~such wall~~, said base comprising a wall that is in general shaped substantially convexly towards an the outside of the container,

wherein where at least three members (6) originate from the substantially cylindrical wall and which are formed by outgrowths that are regularly distributed and separated in pairs by a portion of the convex base wall (7),

wherein:

the base wall (7) is hemispherical, except for a peripheral marginal linking area (8) with the cylindrical wall,

said peripheral marginal linking area (8) has a curve (R1; R2) with an inflection (9) so that the base wall and the peripheral marginal linking area as well as the cylindrical wall and the peripheral marginal linking area are linked in an almost tangential manner, and

a ~~the~~ top end of each member is connected with the cylindrical wall (2),

wherein said inflection (9) is a change in curvature of said curve (R1; R2) from a concave curve to a convex curve; and

DI wherein the curve radius (R) of the hemispherical wall (7) is between 80% and 120% of the radius of the cylindrical wall (2).

5. (previously presented) A container according to Claim 1, wherein a clearance is provided between the central pole (10) of the hemispherical part and a supporting surface (11) of each member (6).

6. (currently amended) A container according to Claim 1, wherein the top end of the members (6) is linked with the cylindrical wall (2) in a substantially ~~an almost~~ tangential manner.

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D( 7. (currently amended) A container according to Claim 1, further comprising  
~~wherein it furthermore comprises~~ a shoulder (3), a collar (4), ~~and~~ a neck (5), and means for  
closing the container ~~provided with means which make it possible to close it~~ by means of a  
suitable device.

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